

Remarks/Arguments

In the June 15, 2005 office action, claims 1-15 were rejected under section 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1-4 and 6 were rejected under section 102(b) as being anticipated by Bock (US Patent No. 1,826,380). Claim 7 was rejected under section 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bock in view of Brace (US Patent No. 3,400,788).

The office action stated that claims 5 and 8 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under section 112 and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 9-15 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under section 112. Claims 16-20 were allowed.

Claim 1 is amended to overcome the section 112 rejection and also to include all of the limitations of cancelled claim 5. As amended, claim 1 is allowable.

Claims 2-4 and 6 also are allowable as dependent on an allowable base claim.

Claims 5 and 7 are cancelled.

Claim 8 is amended to overcome the section 112 rejection and also to include all of the limitations of base claim 1 and any intervening claims. As amended, claim 8 is allowable.

Claim 9 is amended to overcome the section 112 rejection, and is now allowable.

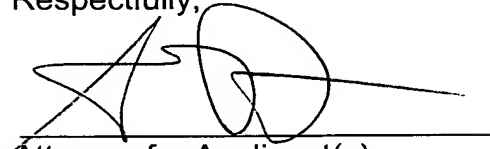
Claims 10-15 are allowable as dependent on an allowable base claim.

Claims 16-20 were allowed.

In conclusion, it is believed that this application is in condition for allowance, and such allowance is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully,



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